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EXPAND IRONWORKS, CASTING FACILITIES

TO ENLARGE JESENICE IRONWORKS -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 20 Apr 51

From 1946 to 1950, 872 million dinars were spent on capital construction at the Jesenice Ironworks. The new general plan for the future calls for an investment of almost 3 billion dinars. This will increase production about 100 percent.

The capacity of both blast furnaces is to be increased. Both furnaces are to be enlarged and reconstructed in 1951 - 1952; a new preheater will be built, and a new turbine ventilator for blowing heated air into the furnaces will be installed. The entrance to the steel forge will be widened and a sixth Siemens-Martin furnace installed there. At the same time, the other furnaces will be reconstructed to increase their output. The generator installations are to be moved, traffic reorganized, and a new warehouse fitted for scrap iron. This will be connected with a railroad track. New electric furnaces will be built and directly connected with the steelworks. The old cable rolling mill will be transferred to Javornik and modernized.

The profile rolling mill in Javorik, operated by water power with Pelton turbines, sometimes has work stoppages because of lack of water. The electrification and modernization of the rolling line will considerably increase the output of the mill, which is to serve as an auxiliary to a new cable rolling mill /projected. The Javornik mill will be modernized to produce average and thin iron plate; two new reverberatory furnaces will be installed. Heating and transportation equipment will be installed for a new rolling mill for heavy plate this year.

The recasting sections at Jesenice are to be moved to the western part of the ironworks because of the enlargement of the steel forge. These sections will be modernized by adding supplementary installations. The mechanization and modernization of the foundry for gray castings is planned. The area where foundry sand is prepared is to be enlarged and the charging of the cupola furnace modernized.

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Housing for workers and staff is to be built. The ironworks now has only 20 percent of the family housing needed, and 68 percent of the housing needed for single persons. The construction program calls for the building of 1,300 family housing units and 1,600 beds in units built for single persons. Housing colonies will be built in Bevsko Polje; and two dwellings for bachelors will be built in Jesenice for trainee students of the industrial school. Priority has been given to building the latter.

NEW SECTION FOR STORE IRONWORKS -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 29 Apr 51

The Store Ironworks is to be expanded this year. The newly expanded section is to produce rolls weighing 20 tons or more. A shop 100 meters long is under construction. This shop is for the electric blast furnace, which will be the first furnace of its kind in Yugoslavia. The furnace will produce daily about 100 tons of high-quality raw iron.

In 1951 and 1952, 360 million dinars are to be investigated in new construction at the Store Ironworks.

NEW CUPOLA FUNACE BEGINS OPERATION -- Belgrade, Borba, 7 May 51

Ljubljana, 6 May -- A new cupola furnace for gray iron castings, which will produce 1.5 tons of iron per hour, has begun operation at the "Unitas" Foundry in Ljubljana. The new furnace, which is Yugoslav-designed, will increase production 30 percent, and produce better quality iron.

PRODUCE CRUCIBLES FOR CASTING PRECIOUS METALS -- Belgrade, Politika, 10 May 51

The copper-smelting plant in Bor has produced the first series of 60 fire-brick crucibles for casting precious metals. Such crucibles were previously imported.

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